## Amendment No. 1 to SB2126

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 2126

by deleting Sections 2 and 3 of the printed bill and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 2. The Judge for the Family Court of Loudon County, Tennessee shall possess all the qualifications and shall be paid the same compensation as prescribed by general law for general sessions judges and shall take the oath prescribed for such judges. The Family Court Judge shall be elected by the qualified voters of Loudon County at the regular August election in 2006. At the August general election every eight (8) years thereafter, the qualified voters of Loudon County shall elect a person to serve as Family Court Judge for a term of eight (8) years.

SECTION 3. The Family Court of Loudon County, Tennessee, and the judge thereof, shall possess original jurisdiction over all probate, domestic and juvenile matters. To the extent necessary to exercise such probate, domestic and juvenile jurisdiction, the Family Court Judge is vested with the applicable authority prescribed by general law for general sessions judges and as set forth in Chapter 57 of the Private Acts of 1959, Chapter 284 of the Private Acts of 1963 and Chapter 86 of the Private Acts of 1981. When necessary for the efficient dispatch of cases and judicial business during a temporary period of absence by the Family Court Judge, the General Sessions Judge may act as Family Court Judge. When necessary for the efficient dispatch of cases and judicial business during a temporary period of absence by the General Sessions Judge, the Family Court Judge may act as General Sessions Judge and, during such period of absence, shall be vested with the full authority prescribed by general law for general sessions judges and as set forth in Chapter 57 of the Private Acts of 1959, Chapter 284 of the Private Acts of 1963 and Chapter 86 of the Private Acts of 1981.